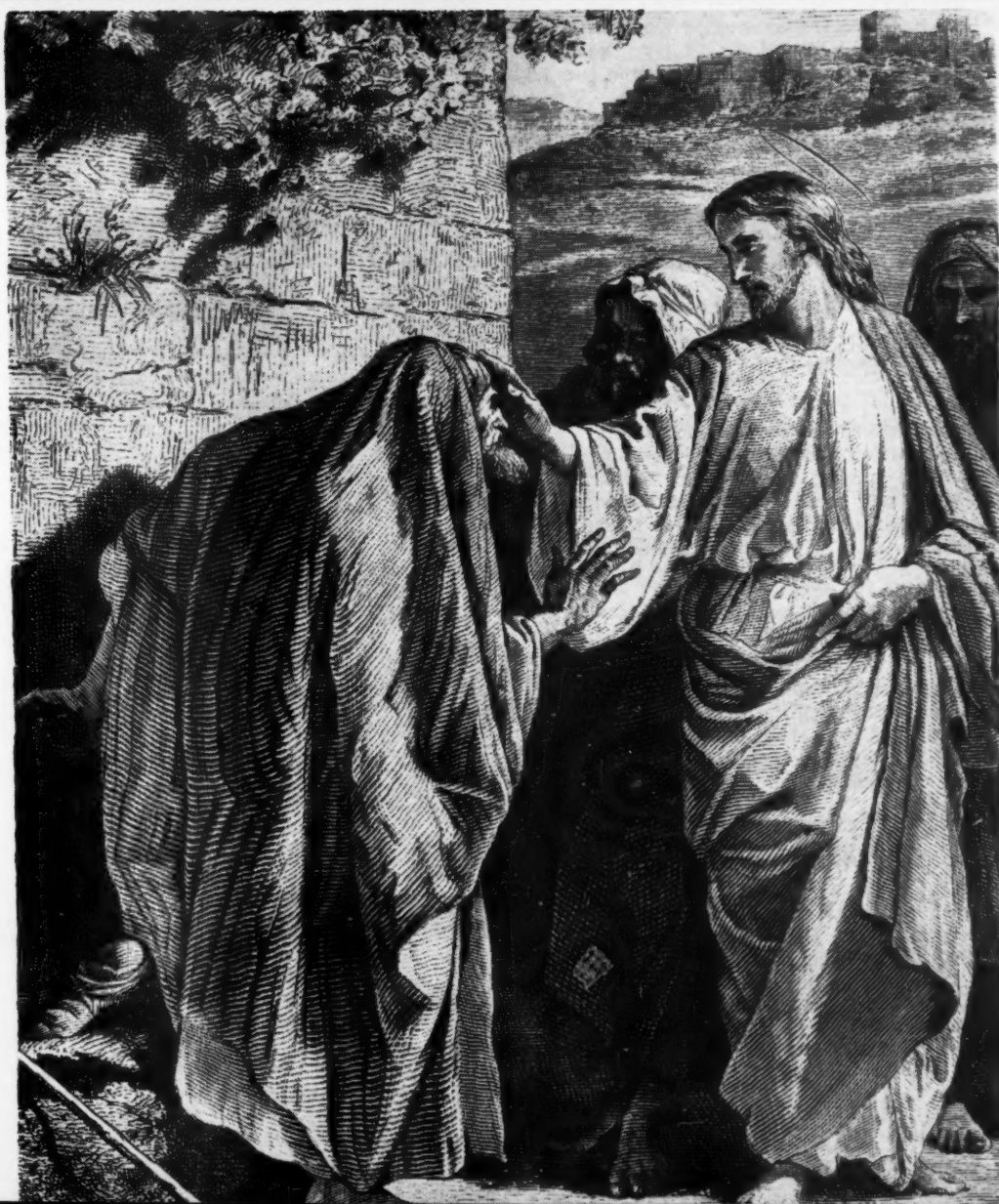


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Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.



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Special Easter issue of the *Evangel* next week. Read these inspiring articles: "Who Won—Who Lost" by A. M. Phillips, "Calvary" by Ray H. Hughes, and "Let the Stones Be Silent" by Charles W. Conn.

COVER

THE GREAT PHYSICIAN

"Moved with pity, He stretched out His hand and touched him, and said . . . 'Be clean.' And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean" (Mark 1:41, 42 RSV).

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Editorial

OVERSHOOTING LIFE

TWO YOUNG FRIENDS graduated from college with high hopes and great ambitions. As classmates they had often talked of the great good they would like to do for mankind. Each wanted the world to be better because of him.

Almost as they walked away from their graduation their lives followed different paths. One of them drifted from job to job trying to find his niche in life. Before long he began to drink in order to forget his disappointments. Within a few years he was a broken human derelict.

His classmate took a position with a great bank upon his graduation. He poured his energies into his work and became obsessed with the power and the might around him. By careful planning and plotting he stepped from post to post in the bank until he finally headed the vast financial empire.

The day came in later years that the man who had made a wreck of his life, like the prodigal son, came to his senses. He remembered his old friend and classmate and sought him out. The two old friends stood face to face in the luxurious oak-paneled office of the banker: one a broken and wretched human failure, the other an opulent and powerful magnate. Without offering his old friend a chair, the banker demanded to know what he wanted.

The man who once had such high hopes said, "John, I've made a mess out of my life up until now, but I know it isn't too late for me to do the things we used to dream of; if only I can find a way to make a new start. . . ."

Without waiting for the brokenhearted man to continue, the tycoon raged out, "I don't know what you want, and furthermore I don't care! Whatever it is, the answer is no! I'm very busy, so now get out!"

As he started out the door, the pathetic figure turned back and said, "Well, John, we both missed it didn't we! I missed it one way, and you missed it the other; but we both missed the mark."

WHO CAN SAY that the wealthy magnate was any better than the wretched drunkard. In the eyes of the world he would no doubt have been greater, but not so in the eyes of God. They both had indeed missed the mark of life. The bum had undershot it, the banker had overshot it; but both had missed the mark. One was down and out, one was up and out; but both were on the outside of what life is meant to be.

One of the most pathetic stories in the Bible is that of the rich young ruler who came to Christ, asking, "Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" (Matthew 19:16).

That the young man wanted a good thing none can deny. He wanted life. Not only did he want a good thing, but before him was the one who could give it. Where the young man failed was in not recognizing the one to whom he came. He called Jesus simply "Master," an instructor, a teacher. He wanted Jesus to become his teacher so that he might learn how to earn eternal life for himself.

But Jesus does not simply teach *about* life. He is the life. If the young man had come to Jesus saying, "Lord, give me eternal life," he would have gone away rejoicing instead of in sorrow.

The rich young ruler came at a good time, while he was still young. He came in an attitude of respect, he knelt down. If only he could have recognized that Jesus is life, and that He gives it freely to all who seek it, then he would have received it for himself at that moment. Jesus tried in several ways to lead the young man to a proper understanding, but all of His efforts failed.

The young man wanted life, but he overshot it. He overlooked it. He talked to life face to face, but did not recognize it.

Many today are hopeful of finding, of enjoying and of using life. They make the mistake that the derelict and the banker made, the same mistake that the rich young ruler made: they either forget, or never learned, that Jesus is the center of all life.

Life begins with Jesus, because He is the resurrection and the life (John 11:25).

Life is sustained by Jesus, for He is the bread of life (John 6:48-51).

Life is refreshed by Jesus, for He is the water of life (John 4:14; 7:37).

Life is given direction by Jesus, for He is the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6).

Life without Christ is no life at all. Regardless of the depth to which we may sink, or the height to which we may rise, we have missed life if we neglect Him who is life.

Charles W. Cunn

A

NEW

BEGINNING

By Mrs. F. W. Goff

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IN ARTICLES IV and V of the Declaration of Faith of the Church of God, we read, "We believe that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ."

This doctrine of the new birth is indispensable. Upon this great truth Christianity rests. It is the dividing point of two roads. One is a narrow road leading ever upward—sometimes in joy, oftentimes in tears, but the end is everlasting glory. The other is the broad road, the road of self will, where men are lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, ending finally in eternal destruction.

Many disdain this all-important doctrine. They are satisfied with moral goodness. Jeremiah shows the futility of this. "O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps." No man can of himself effect this change. The Spirit alone can do so. Many by nature is unregenerate, and the righteousness of God cannot receive the unholy into its fellowship. Man, of necessity, must

Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit (John 3:3-8).

be born again if he has any part in the heavenly kingdom.

What mortal man can explain the workings of the Spirit, as it unfolds in all its grandeur? the process of the new birth in the soul? Never, until we stand in His likeness will we be able to comprehend fully the intricate details of the new birth. Jesus in our scripture text explains it thus: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit." As surely as Nicodemus could feel the cool evening breeze of the Syrian spring and see the gentle swaying of the olive branches, a born-again man can feel the workings of the Spirit and feel the effects in his life.

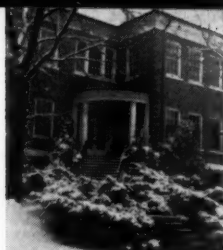
Nothing passes this in importance. The Scriptures teach that the unbeliever is dead in trespasses and sin and that he is blinded by Satan about his condition. 2 Corinthians 4:3, 4 "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."

They are in bondage and in darkness. One might as well ask a blind man to look at the beauty of the sunset or to behold the colors of the rainbow, or ask the deaf-mute to listen to a beautiful symphony. But let the eyes be opened and the ears unstopped, and they can see and hear.

This new birth or birth from above is necessary for all men. A mere outward reformation is not enough. The most rigid self-discipline cannot attain to it, for man is born in sin. Psalm 51:5 "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me." The Apostle Paul declared, "The wages of sin is death," and again "Death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." Yes, the penalty of sin is death, eternal death. Man cannot, because of his sinful nature, redeem himself. Neither can he redeem his brother. Psalm 49:7 "None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him." But God in His infinite love and mercy came to the rescue.

In the eternal ages past He saw man fall into sin and condemnation, and He mapped out the plan of redemption. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever be-

SCHOOL OF MUSIC



LEE COLLEGE

ON SUNDAY, February 12, four Lee College School of Music students participated in local voice auditions sponsored by the National Association of Teachers of Singing. The local auditions were held in Cadek Hall at the University of Chattanooga. Thirty-one teachers in the East Tennessee District of the association were invited to present their voice students at the auditions. The teachers who were invited to present their students were all members of the National Association of Teachers of Singing. The four students who represented Lee College were: Elaine Price, contralto and Joe Muncy, tenor, students of A. T. Humphries; Linda Cook, soprano, and Brian Johnson,

bass, students of Roosevelt Miller.

The judge for these auditions was Professor John Ramsour, head of the voice department of Shorter College in Rome, Georgia. Mr. Ramsour commended all of these students for having above average talent and development. Each student was required to present three vocal numbers with one selection from each of the following areas: one classical art song sung in the original language; one selection from either opera or an oratoria, and one selection from a contemporary song in English.

Two of the Lee College students were selected to sing in the finals of the students' auditions conducted by the Southern Region of the National Association of Teach-

ers of Singing held in Birmingham, Alabama, on February 25. One of these students was Joe Muncy, who is a senior in the School of Music. Joe is a voice major and will be presented in his graduate recital on April 30 in the Lee College Auditorium. He is a native of Ohio, and is a member of the North Cleveland Church of God. He is the son of the Reverend and Mrs. J. A. Muncy of Hamilton, Ohio.

The other student is Linda Cook, who is a sophomore in the School of Music. She will participate in the Spring Recital sponsored by the School of Music. Linda's parents are Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Cook of Pompano Beach, Florida.

lieth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Also Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Christ the sinless one paid the debt. 1 Peter 2:24 "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness . . ."

BECAUSE OF His death man can have a new beginning. He can again be in fellowship with a righteous God.

Christ was given to the whole world, but man must lay hold on this gift or he will be lost. Faith in the Son of God opens the door to eternal life. John 1:12 "But as

many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." Believing and receiving are important words in this verse. To believe on Christ means that with the heart, not mere intellectual assent, one believes that Christ is the Son of God; also, that he believes His words: "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Believing this, he acts upon it, confessing his sin and forsaking it; then in faith he receives Christ as Saviour.

1 John 5:11, 12 "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life."

Webster defines *born* as brought into existence by, or as by birth. This new birth, Dear Reader, is a new beginning. Have you experienced it in your life? God is ready now to take away that heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. Now, Christ stands at your hearts door: Revelation 3:20 "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." By the new birth enter into the path of life today and find the fulness of joy that David speaks of in Psalm 16:11: "Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore."

Blessed are they who build families, for they shall be builders of the world.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it," Proverbs 22:6.

The Family Altar

By Mrs. E. N. Neal

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TODAY OUR NATION is at the crossroads. God has helped us in the past, but are we still depending upon Him?

America needs to awaken out of her sleep and turn to God for mercy. Children are not being taught the Word of God in our homes as before. Far too often parents have left the responsibility of the early training of their children to the church, the public school and the community. These institutions and agencies are important in the lives of our children. The childhood training in the home determines largely the adult life of the individual. The fundamental responsibility of every Father and Mother is the nurture of the religious life in the home.

A home means more than four walls to keep out the heat and the cold. The home is the most vital part of life. Tomorrow's world depends upon today's youth. The type of church, community, or nation we have in the future depends upon the way the youth are taught today.

There are many homes where once the "altar light" glowed and the home was complete; but through subtle snares Satan has dimmed, even quenched, that light. Rush of business, lust for gold, love of the world, carelessness, indifference, sin and disobedience have caused one or both of the parents to fail in their responsibilities. Boys and girls are going forth from such

homes not knowing the real values of life; and without a standard of righteous holy conduct they become an easy prey for the crowding forces of evil which assail everyone today. Who will answer for this before the judgement of God?

Perhaps you say "My child can hold a moral standard." Perhaps so, but where one holds, many fall. As a result, we have in our nation young unmarried mothers and drug-addicted sons; rape cases, murders and countless other crimes.

The parent is the first contributor to the life of the delinquent teen-ager. Many homes actually foster delinquency. Many parents do not know each day where their children are, or what kind of company they are keeping. They provide a house for their children, but not a home. Mothers work outside the home; the family does not do things together; each member goes his own way.

YOUNG PEOPLE, those of you who have real God-fearing parents, you have much to be thankful for. Christian parents are priceless jewels. Young friends, why not accept the Lord in the days of your youth? Every day you can call upon the Lord and it will be amazing the way He guides you and gives you new strength and wisdom. It may be that you haven't realized that the Lord is interested in your every-day tasks, and may-

be you are still going along doing your school work in your own strength. I'd like to give you two verses that have meant a great deal to me. James 1:5, 6. "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering . . ." I challenge you to claim these verses as your own.

Then, you may be doing the task in your own strength because you've never accepted the Lord as your personal Saviour. I'm happy that I can say today that you too can know his wonderful love and can call upon Him for strength and wisdom if you will but put your trust in Him.

If you know the Lord as your Saviour, keep moving on for God; don't turn back. I found the Lord precious to my heart while in my youth. Through the years He's never failed me. He promised to care for us if we would serve Him.

Parents, what kind of material are you sending up? Is the foundation on which you are building able to stand during the raging storm? Have you a family altar in your home? If you have failed to build one, start now. It's almost too late. Your children need love, companionship and guidance. No one can do a better job of giving it to them than you—Mother and Dad.

World Evangelism Through Literature

By *Richard L. Stoppe*
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FOR MORE THAN thirty years I have prayerfully considered this problem: 'How can we evangelize the world in the space of one generation?' ... There must be a way. After travel and study in fifty-six countries, I have come to this conclusion—the only way we will be able to carry out the great commission will be by means of the printed page." So writes Dr. Oswald J. Smith whose local church has invested nearly \$4,000,000 in missions under his inspiring leadership in the last thirty years.

The door of evangelism hinges largely on the production and distribution of the printed page. The great Protestant Reformation, which broke the strangle-hold of Roman Catholic papal oppression, came about, not by Martin Luther's great preaching, but by his great writing.

Through the printed page Luther denied that the pope or the clergy had any supernatural priestly powers, thus striking at the heart of the authority which had held Europe for centuries in fearful obedience. Through his books, he denied that the pope alone could interpret the Scriptures. By the pen he described and denounced the corruption, greed and extortion of the popes. Others amplified his works by tracts and cartoons which liberated millions.

Most of you have heard that the Bible is the most published book in the world. This is no longer true. The writings of Lenin now top the list of the most published works. Communists boast that they now have three pieces of literature for every boy, girl, man and woman on the face of the earth. Russia is spending \$3,400,000,000 each year on printed propaganda.

Ghandi's son recently said, "The British taught India to read, but the Communists have supplied the literature." Have the Communists been successful? Unfortunately,

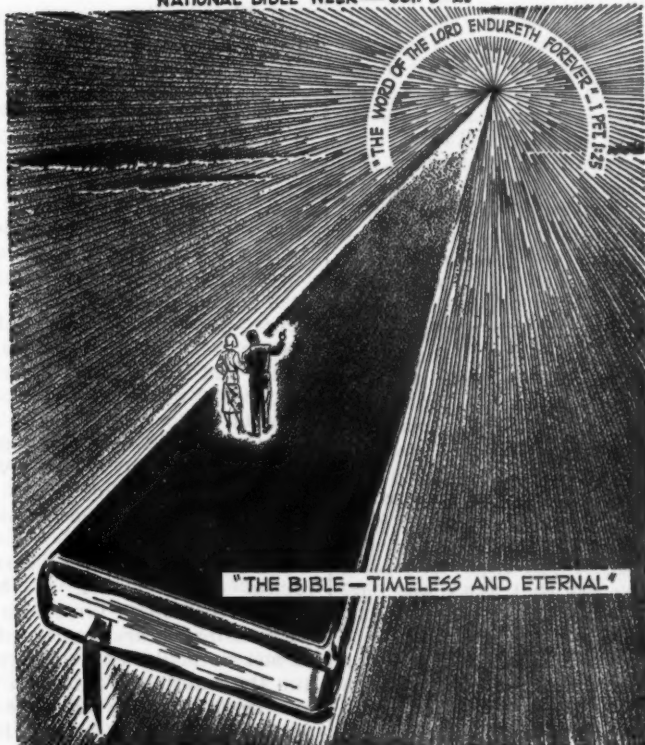
they have. Modern historians and observers claim that China fell prey to the lies of Communism by the power of printed propaganda. The Russian Revolution in 1917, which brought into existence the Communist regime, would have been impossible without the aid of the press.

Within one generation Communism has gained more adherents than Christianity has gained in 1900 years. How did they accomplish this tremendous feat? The advance of Communism in Africa is analogous to their advance throughout Asia and much of Europe. Let us look at Africa. The Reverend M. G. McLuhan writes from Africa:

Here, day and night the conflict goes on in sweating and

toiling intensity without let-up. Here, the raw material of uncivilized minds is being battled for in dead earnest; here, where the actual battle is to be seen in its awful nakedness without the camouflage of peace talks, friendly visits and disarmament talks, one can draw some basic conclusions. Christianity has been in Africa for almost a century and a half now. Communism has been here for about thirty years. That was when this battle started, and now it is quite clear that Communism has as many or perhaps more followers than Christianity in this continent of more than eleven million square miles of earth's territory. Because much of the

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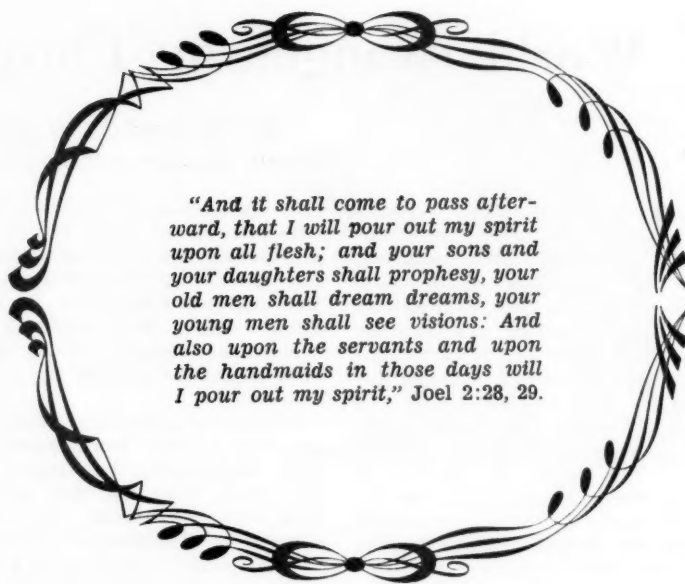


territory is populated by primitive peoples, neither side in this battle need worry much about peace talks or conferences. They must just keep pouring the munitions of ideological warfare into the area, and keep the guns red hot since many of the people in this area are just learning to read, they will read anything that they can get hold of! What a target for the propaganda guns!

If Communism can make such progress in one generation by the press, could not anointed Christian literature make great advances also? Through the largest independent printing press in the world, the Jehovah's Witnesses spue forth their pernicious heresy day and night. In the first edition of one book they printed over 10,500,000 copies in forty-five languages. The Seventh-day Adventists allocate fifteen million dollars a year just for foreign literature. The potential of literature is greater than ever before. It is estimated that a million persons a week are learning to read—fifty-two million a year! We must awaken to this opportunity! Literature is a vital part of world evangelism. I have never seen a native throw away a tract. He reads it and passes it on to others. It is estimated that each piece of foreign literature reaches five persons. I know of an entire village that was won to Christ by one tract. Books are power. A spoken sermon is soon forgotten; a book abides until it is destroyed.

The printed page needs no passport or visa. It travels cheaply. It speaks the language of the people without a foreign accent. It goes where radio cannot. It knows no fear and never tires; it works even while we sleep. It never loses its temper, and takes no notice of insult or abuse. It is never discouraged while telling its story over and over again.

One sincere Oriental man said, "Did you say that story was old? I'm old and I've never heard it before." Through literature, oppressed millions can hear for the first time the old, old story of the cross! Won't you invest in this phase of missions?



"And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit," Joel 2:28, 29.

WHEN THE PROPHET Joel is mentioned, immediately our minds go to his prophecy of the spiritual outpouring that came on the day of Pentecost. We who believe and have received this Spirit are called, Pentecostal people.

We today need a real revival of Pentecost as described in the text. A leading minister has very well described this need in the statement, "We must have revival or ruin." A few years ago our need was for more adequate buildings, more preachers, and workers; but our greatest need today is an old-fashioned Bible outpouring of God's Spirit—a Pentecostal revival. It will restore the power, the love, the unity, and the results of the first Pentecostal outpouring as recorded in Acts 2. Joel 2:28, 29 is a description of this great blessing. Joel is a book of revival and gives us a clear understanding as to what steps lead to this Pentecostal revival.

First, he gives us *the need for revival* (Chapter 1:4, 5). Notice that in the fourth verse four very harmful insects are mentioned: the palmerworm, locust, cankerworm, and the caterpillar. Although these are small insects, they are very destructive. This, I believe, is the

spiritual picture of the condition of so many Pentecostal people today. The big things are not causing us to lose favor with God; the little things are. Just a little pleasure, a little of the world, and a little sin are causing us to lose His favor. We would not use a gun to kill our brother, but we use that little member (the tongue) to tell falsehoods that will kill his influence for God. We would not go to the theater with the sinful multitude, but we will sit in front of the little theater in the corner until the early hours of the morning watching the late movie. That little thing of not praying, not reading the Word, not attending prayer service, or just a little jealousy, a little strife, a little selfishness, a little envy, a little wrong, a little compromise—this is absolutely robbing us of our spiritual strength and power with our Lord. This is strong, but James 2:10 says "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." It would do some of us Pentecostals good to read the ninth verse of this chapter also.

Then in Joel 1:5, is another point that shows our need for revival. Joel says, "Awake, ye drunkards . . ." When a man is drunk, his senses are dulled to things

Pentecostal Revival

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about him. Literally speaking, we would not think of becoming drunk, but many good Pentecostal people are "drunk on the cares of life" and their "heart is overcharged" with the things of the world. In other words, they are spiritually drunk. Their senses are dulled to the spiritual need about them. They have lost the vision for lost souls, cannot feel the burden for the church, and cannot hear the voice of the Spirit of God as He would speak to them. Joel said the "new wine," speaking of the Spirit, is cut off from your mouth. Let us lay aside every weight that would hinder us and be "filled with the Spirit." The little things and spiritual drunkenness are very definitely signs that we need revival.

Second, Joel gives us *the method for revival* (Chapter 2:12-17). It is one thing to realize our need and yet another to find the remedy and put it into action. God has the method for revival, but contrary to the ideas of men, it is not a personality, a program, a contest, nor more organization. Revival does not come through means of carnality but by a visitation of God's Spirit. In the verses mentioned is God's recipe for revival. First, we must pray and fast: "turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting" (Joel 2:12). These work to-

gether. They are the most neglected privileges of Christianity. Lack of prayer is not a fault, a mistake, or mere negligence; it is sin. "God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray" (1 Samuel 12:23). The second step in God's method is real sincerity: "rend your heart, and not your garments" (Joel 2:13). Real spiritual revival is a matter of the heart, not an act of making a special effort to let everyone know how concerned you are. If you get it in the heart, it will come out at the right time. The third step is preaching the Word of God uncompromisingly without fear or favor: "Blow the trumpet in Zion . . ." (Joel 2:15). The trumpet (Word) has two important uses: to awaken sleepers and to prepare for battle. We must preach the unadulterated Word and spare not to awake spiritual sleepers and prepare the saints for the battle ahead. How true is the statement of the Apostle Paul: "For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?" (1 Corinthians 14:8) Fourth is spiritual unity: "Gather the people" (Joel 2:16). If we pull together, work together, and pray together, we will get somewhere; if we are all divided in opinions, views, and ideas, our labor will be in vain.

On the Day of Pentecost they were all of "one mind and one accord." Finally, God gives some instructions to the leaders. The leader cannot expect his people to go any deeper in God than he is. He must lead the way. These are God's words to the leaders: "Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they [the unbelievers] say among the people, Where is their God?" (Joel 2:17). This is God's method, and it will work when it is applied.

In the third place, Joel gives *the assurance of revival*: "Yea, the Lord will answer . . ." (Joel 2:19). See the need, apply the method, and then let these five words ring in your heart. The answer is on its way.

In Joel 2:23, we see *the attitude for revival*. "Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain . . ." If you have applied the method and have the assurance in your heart, "Be glad then"; the latter rain is soon to fall.

Then in Joel 2:28, we have *the Pentecostal revival* described: "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh . . ." When the Spirit is outpoured we can say, "This is part of that."

Joel 3:13, 14 gives us *the results of revival*. "Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe . . . Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision . . ." After that we have truly had Pentecostal revival, we will see a harvest of souls. Our altars will not be empty. At the first Pentecostal outpouring, "the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls" (Acts 2:41).

May every reader join the many earnest souls in crying, "God give us another great Pentecostal revival."



Troyes and Les Fosses

By Margaret Gaines



THE LONG LATE afternoon shadows gradually faded into darkness. The little Volkswagen purred along over hills and through valleys. My thoughts were already on Troyes, our destination. The church very likely would be just another small European congregation. The pastor would probably be a fine Christian but with little real vision. I hardly expected the members to be spiritual, and so unconsciously I was forming excuses in my mind. After all, was not the church young and the pastor isolated and subjected to misunderstanding, injustice, and privations? With these thoughts in mind the lights of Troyes announced our arrival.

The pastor's sweet wife had a hint of weariness and fatigue on her face. Indeed, I soon learned the reason: besides caring for her two little children who were very ill with whooping cough, she had baked many cakes that day for the children's Christmas program. Nevertheless, she received us warmly and served us hot drinks. Soon the pastor arrived from a service and we had a long conversation before retiring. Already I was repenting of my improvised opinions of this wonderful couple. Certainly they had vision and they lived a most unselfish, sacrificial life. How pleased I was and proud of the quality of this Church of God pastor. The church is sure to develop properly under his spiritual leadership.

Early Sunday morning there was a general hustling about to get to

church on time. Little did I know what a pleasant surprise awaited me. I was definitely mistaken in my thoughts as to the spirituality of these good people. Every face seemed to shine with the glory of God. From the opening prayer and song, the spiritual tide rose higher and higher. How they sang! How they prayed and praised God! My soul was refreshed as my spirit rejoiced with these kindred spirits.

After a wonderful morning service, I really looked forward to the afternoon meeting. The air was charged with God's precious presence, and His name was glorified in that assembly. Many Gypsies were present. With their beautiful childlike faith and unreserved adoration, they served the Lord. I enjoyed speaking in those meetings as each soul seemed to drink the Word of God with gladness.

AFTER THE service a little sixteen-year-old Gypsy mother came to me. As she pushed a chubby young baby towards me, her black eyes implored me to pray for him. "What is wrong with your little one?" I asked her in French. "Oh, nothing. Nothing at all; I just want him to be blessed," she replied. My heart swelled with gratitude that this dear young mother recognized the worth of God's blessing. With all my heart I prayed for the baby and for her. When I finished, the young father was standing there with rivulets of tears streaming down his cheeks. In a voice broken with emotion he begged me to include him in

the prayer. As the time came to part, the little lady clung to me and whispered, "I'll meet you in heaven." I answered, "Very well, but since you are a traveller and so am I, we may just chance to meet again on life's road somewhere."

Had my joy ended there, that would have sufficed. Space will not permit me to tell of all my happy experiences in Troyes.

Nevertheless, I must mention my unforgettable visit to Les Fosses. I had heard so much about what wonderful saints Father and Mother Weber are; yet they were not exaggerated, for the Christian love love that radiates from their lives and from the harmony of their home testifies of their devotion to the Master. It was to me like an oasis in the desert.

Certainly I shall never forget my visits to Troyes and Les Fosses. My hope and prayer is that every new church which we shall open in France will follow the fine example of the church in Troyes and that every pastor will have the same spirit of sacrifice and devotion that our Brother Weber exemplifies.



revivals

Church Set on Fire for God

TELLICO PLAINS, Tenn. — We are glad to report a most glorious week-end revival at the Tellico Plains Church of God with the Reverend C. B. Donohue as the evangelist. Two young ladies and one young man were saved and joined the church. One lady received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The people were blessed and set on fire for God and given a new zeal to go forward for the Lord. —Rev. M. L. Kirby, pastor

Great Revival

THOMASVILLE, Ala. — The Thomasville Church of God is presently in a great revival. Some of the elder members say that it is the greatest revival they have ever witnessed. It is being conducted by J. E. Smeltzer of Kentucky.

—J. C. Hale, pastor

Church Recommends Evangelist

CANTON, Ohio—Reverend William Young McGovern recently conducted the best service the Canton Church of God has ever had. There were 7 saved, 2 filled with the Holy Ghost and 8 healed. Two of the healings included cancer and a throat disorder.

I would like to recommend Brother McGovern. He is a good evangelist. His address is: 1712 Woodlawn, N.W., Canton 8, Ohio.

—Pastor

Miami Blessed by Revival

MIAMI, Fla.—The word *revival* connotes a renewing of the spiritual gifts of the church as well as the extending of an invitation to the sinner to receive Christ into his life. The Miami Church of God has experienced such a revival. The evangelist, Rev. C. B. Donohue of Chattanooga, Tennessee, preached the Word of God from a heart exhibiting an overwhelming burden for lost souls. Many were saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking "with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts 2:4).

On the last day of the revival the Sunday School attendance was

the highest in more than 10 months. This was the first revival in Miami for Brother Donohue, but we certainly hope it will not be his last.

Rev. Clyde Ogle, pastor of the church, has been a true inspiration to the church in bringing such outstanding evangelists to Miami. The pastor's lovely wife, Helen, and beautiful twin daughters, Jean and Jo, are highly esteemed throughout the community.

On the last Sunday of the revival 9 Christians were added to the church and 5 were baptized in water.—John B. White, reporter

Outstanding Youth Revival

DELHI, La.—I would like to report the greatest youth revival I have seen in 3 years. On January 2, 1961, we started a revival with my father, G. I. Temple. The Lord met with us in a mighty way each night. We closed the revival on the seventh night with 20 saved and sanctified and 17 filled with the Holy Ghost—all were young people. They are still on fire for the Lord.

Please pray for us here in Delhi.

—John W. Temple, pastor

New Members Added

NINETY SIX, S. C.—The Church of God at Ninety Six, South Carolina, was blessed with a great revival. The Rev. Frank Douglas Morgan was the evangelist. There were 45 saved, 28 sanctified, 27 baptized with the Holy Ghost, 28 baptized in water and 11 added to the church.

The members of the church were blessed by the sincere and consecrated ministry of Brother Morgan. Any church would do well to secure him for a revival.

—A. L. Hartgraves, pastor

Thirty-four Receive Baptism of Holy Ghost

GREER, S. C.—We have just closed a wonderful 2-week revival at the Greer Church of God with Rev. Joe Hood as our evangelist. There were 28 saved, 34 sanctified, 34 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 11 added to the church. We saw

with our eyes and felt with our hearts the wonderful presence of God as the Holy Ghost moved upon the people. Our young people were greatly blessed in this revival as Brother Hood preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost.

—George Collier, reporter

Rejoicing Continues

CARTHAGE, Tenn.—The Carthage Church of God is still rejoicing over the wonderful revival we just closed. For all the new converts, the past two weeks will linger in their memories for years to come. God blessed us in a marvelous way. There were 15 saved, 7 sanctified, 7 filled with the Holy Ghost, 4 baptized in water and 6 added to the church.

Rev. A. W. Hall of Granville, Tennessee, was the evangelist. He was anointed by the Holy Ghost each night and preached old-time holiness. His ministry would be a blessing to any church.

Our good pastor, Brother Billy Hawkins, labored faithfully to make the revival a success. Everyone witnessed a wonderful spirit of unity and love among the congregation.

One of the most outstanding nights of the revival was when a man was delivered of alcoholism and tobacco addiction.

We give God all the glory for every accomplishment.

—Phronia Cantrell, reporter

Church Progressing in Brookport

BROOKPORT, Ill. — We are thanking God for a great revival in Brookport. The evangelist, Robert Robinson of Bellwood, Illinois, blessed our souls with his anointed messages.

There were 19 souls saved, 7 sanctified, 6 filled with the Holy Ghost and 4 added to the church.

Several testified of being healed, and the church was greatly revived. The Church of God is on the move in Brookport.

—John T. Haworth, pastor

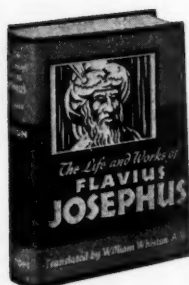
Local Member Blesses Church

COALMONT, Ind.—The Church of God in Coalmont recently closed a 2-week revival with Sister Io Garlit, a local member, as our evangelist. Sister Io was a great blessing to our church. The presence of God was felt nightly and we believe everyone who attended was drawn closer to the Lord.

Each night people were seeking God. There were 7 souls claimed for the Lord, 2 sanctified and 1 baptized with the Holy Ghost.

We thank God for Sister Io and for the wonderful work she is doing for the Lord.

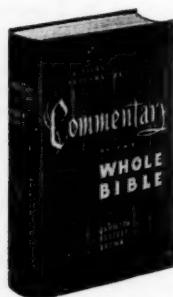
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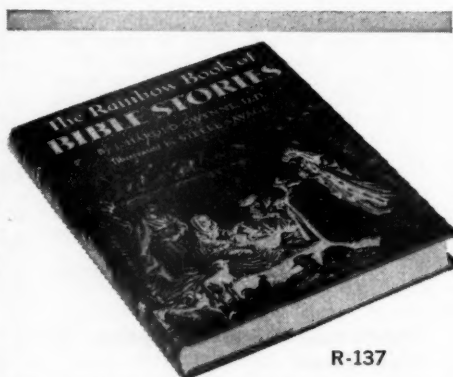
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God Spares Child

WHEATON, Md.—We want to take this opportunity to testify to all *Evangel* readers to just what God has done for us and the wonderful miracle He performed in our little 4-year-old daughter's life.

Shortly after New Year's Diana Ruth became ill with strep-throat, and three days later she developed scarlet fever. This gave us much concern, and we began to call all the church members, friends and ministers in the area, to pray for her. Three days later she began reacting to the drugs which were being given her. For several days her fever wouldn't go below 103 degrees. Then on Tuesday she became terribly sick, and her fever went to 106 degrees. We rushed her to the hospital, and by that time it had gone to 107. We could see blisters popping out on her skin. Doctors and nurses worked frantically with her for hours while we stood by and prayed and trusted God. The doctor told us then she couldn't live much longer in that condition.

During this time the Del-Mar-Va Prayer Conference was in progress at the West Baltimore Church of God. My father tried for an hour to get in touch with one of the ministers there; he finally contacted Brother Ellington and they had special prayer for her. In just a few minutes her temperature went down. Truly this was the hand of God; the doctors had just about given her up, but we continued to pray and trust God to bring her through.

For several days she remained on the critical list, but we kept calling and writing everyone we could, requesting prayer for her. People in several states were praying with us. Her mouth became so red and blistered and she could not eat or drink. When people came to see her, most of them just shook their heads and turned away.

Two specialists said if this spread to her eyes, she might lose some sight, but God prevented this from happening. Doctors and nurses both said they had never seen any-

thing like it. Now they are amazed at how she is recovering. They know it was the prayers of God's children that pulled her through. The doctor called us several times and told us they were doing all they could, but that this time it would take a higher power.

We have really learned to place our trust in God more than ever before during the time of Diana's illness. I often wonder what people do who don't know God when something such as this comes upon them.

At the time of this writing, Diana's blood and kidneys are still infected from this illness, but I know that in His own time and in His own way He will heal her completely. We know God can do anything; nothing is too great or too small for Him. We also want to thank the many people who were so concerned and prayed so earnestly for her, and we desire your prayers yet that God will completely heal her and restore her strength.—*Rev. and Mrs. Fred Stone*

Healed of Nervous Condition

ASHLAND, Ala.—I promised God if He would heal my body I would

write my testimony to the world that it might help someone else. My nerves collapsed in October, I thought I was having a heart attack. We prayed and God touched my body that night. The next day and for several weeks the devil tried me with fear that I was going to die and leave my 4 small children. I kept on rebuking him and believing God, until one Sunday night in church this same fear came over me again, and I thought I was going to die if I were not prayed for immediately. Brother Hugh Moore, our pastor, had started to preach. The devil began telling me that if I asked Bro. Moore to pray for me, everyone would think I was crazy and it would ruin his message. But I knew it was God's will for me to be healed. So I stood up and asked Bro. Moore to pray for me. I was delivered, thank God.

In a few days I had another trial of faith. A sore spot in my stomach, that had been there for some time, started bothering me. Then my whole stomach became sore. I kept believing God for complete deliverance. I wrote Brother Oral Roberts to help me pray that God would strengthen my faith. I thought I would go to a doctor, but God always encouraged me, through His Word and the testimonies of others, to hold on. So I began claiming my healing, for I was a child of the King, and I knew His promises are true and that they are for His children. During the first few days nothing happened. I kept rebuking the devil in Jesus' name, and, thank God, I have been completely delivered. I have not been to a doctor or taken any medicine whatsoever. Another wonderful thing about serving my God is that His healing is free and for the poor. I am ever thanking God for His power.

—*Mildred Wolfe*

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Nazarenes Witness to Two Million-plus

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (EP)—The Church of the Nazarene brought a Christian witness to 1,628,125 persons, or more than five times its membership, during the month that ended December 4, it was announced at world offices of the denomination here.

Dr. Edward Lawlor, secretary for evangelism, announced the total for the first full day of reporting from the 75 church districts.

"I believe this is the greatest impact for world-wide evangelism the Nazarene Church has ever made in a single unified effort," he said.

The month of witnessing opened the church quadrennium of special emphasis on evangelism. In the campaign of witnessing Nazarene Church members have told others what Christ means to them and have invited unchurched persons to services.

The Nazarene Church has 318,588 members in 4,741 churches.

"Best Seller" in Angthong

ANGTHONG, Thailand (EP)—Missionaries here report that Buddhist priests of the town have become regular borrowers of one particular book. Its title: *Peace With God*, by Billy Graham.

42,250 World Protestant Missionaries

NEW YORK (EP)—Recent statistics made public by Dr. Frank Price, director of the Missionary Research Library, show that the total Protestant missionaries sent out from all countries has arisen to 42,250. This is an increase of 3,644 in the last two years.

Of the 42,250 overseas personnel, 27,219 represent North American agencies.

Foreign missions giving in this country also shows an increase, Dr. Price said. The total of \$163,680,468 represents \$2.75 per church member, compared to the previous

average of \$2.26 per capita.

Heaviest contributors are Seventh-day Adventists with \$28 per member for overseas work. The report shows that Evangelical Free Church members are next, averaging \$14.40 each.

Food Shortage, Famine Threat Slows Red China's "Great Leap Forward"

HONG KONG (EP)—The most critical food shortage that Red China has faced in six years may be reducing its "Great Leap Forward" to a mere faltering step.

A recent series of communiques from Peiping have confirmed what some observers have been saying all along: that the food production claims Communist China has been making for the last three years have been vastly exaggerated.

In recent weeks, in an apparent effort to avert mass starvation in some areas, Peiping has bought 300,000 tons of wheat from Australia and 350,000 tons of rice from Burma. It is reported that an even larger wheat purchase is being negotiated with Canada.

Hong Kong observers claim that China does produce enough grain to feed itself, but exports a disproportionate amount to Soviet bloc countries to finance its "Great Leap Forward" industrialization program.

Baptist Work in Cuba Reports Growth

ATLANTA, Ga. (MNS)—Southern Baptist leaders have announced here that their work is flourishing in spite of the severe tensions in Fidel Castro's Cuba. The report was made by Arthur Rutledge, Director of the Missions Division, and Lloyd Corder, Secretary of the Language Groups Ministries Department, upon their return from a trip to the island.

Rutledge and Corder, who speak Spanish, met with all eight of the Southern Baptist missionaries, as

well as the officers of the Cuban Convention. They were told that the recently ended evangelistic crusade in Havana Province had resulted in 2,192 professions of faith. "If the present trend continues," said Nemesio Garcia, pastor of the McCall Baptist Church in Havana and Secretary of the Mission Board of the Cuban Baptist Convention, "this will be the best year Cuban Baptists have ever had."

Rutledge and Corder reported no interference in public meetings, that visitation in the homes was well received, and that hundreds are attending Baptist churches for the first time. "There are many evidences of a wide-spread spiritual hunger," Corder observed, "and although the newspapers were filled with anti-U.S. statements, we met with no discourteousness."

Christmas "Unnoticed" in China, Says Peiping Radio

HONG KONG (EP)—Christmas in Communist China this year "passed almost unnoticed by Chinese citizens," according to a Peiping Radio broadcast.

It reported, however, that religious services were held in Peiping for foreign diplomats and a party of carol singers organized by the British embassy toured other Western embassies.

The station said "red and gold banners with Christmas messages in Chinese" were hung in the Anglican Cathedral of Our Saviour in Peiping, during religious services.

It said "very few Christmas trees" were seen anywhere in the country and "their cost averaged \$60 each."

AP Names Top Newsmakers for 1960: Pope John, Kennedy

NEW YORK (EP) — The Associated Press, in a survey conducted among its 3,800 members including dailies and radio and TV stations, has named the top newsmakers for 1960: Pope John XXIII and Sen. John F. Kennedy, the first Roman Catholic President ever elected in this country.

President-elect Kennedy was named the overall "Newsmaker of 1960" and the Pontiff took top honors in the religion category.

In second place behind Mr. Kennedy was Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev. Trailing Pope John in the religion category was Dr. Billy Graham.

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